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The War in Africa,

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500 ACRES in plots to suit. 100 acres under cul-
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Cottages on Fernwood road from \$650 up-
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Choice 1/2 acre sites on Belmont avenue.
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Several houses to let from \$5 upwards.
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ESTABLISHED 1847
GIVES LARGEST PROFITS AND
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Washed Nuts, \$4.25 per ton
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A miscellaneous assortment of goods, com-
prising boots, shoes, ties, suspenders, fancy
goods, cigars, 2 shot guns, revolvers, etc.
Also a small quantity of unrefined
pledges, new and second-hand silver and
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Attend for bargains.

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RUBBER-SOLE BOOTS

FOR LADIES AND GENTS.

(Ladies' Coltskin (water-
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(Ladies' Chrome Kid-lined
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STEEL-CLAD SCHOOL BOOTS

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Within Gun Range

Opposing Armies in Natal Are
Now Only Four Miles
Apart.

Town Guard Slaughtered by Boers
Near Dundee—Civilian Shot
in the Streets.

Burglars Routed by an Armored
Train With the Loss of
Eight Men.

(Associated Press.)

London, Oct. 28.—The full in the news
from Ladysmith, Natal, which was be-
ginning to be regarded as ominous, has
at length been broken by a Capetown
dispatch under this morning's date, say-
ing:

"Scouts from Modderspruit having re-
ported the Boer's force on the Helpma-
kaar road, Gen. White has ordered out
a strong force of artillery, mounted in-
fantry and cavalry.

"A small patrol of mounted infantry
was shelled by the Boers, nine miles
beyond Modderspruit.

"The British force is now four miles
from the Boers."

The dispatch does not give the date
of the above occurrence, but it must
have been since Thursday last, when
the news arrived from Ladysmith.

The Boers have advanced from Dun-
dee southward, and from Beeter station
eastward, evidently proceeding steadily
in the interim and the engagement fore-
shadowed by the above dispatch may
have already been fought.

New Advertisements on Page 8.

COAL AND WOOD—Baker & Colston,
wharf and office Bellville street, James
Bay; telephone 407; city office, Salinger-
ton & Ogden's, telephone 401.

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telephones free of construc-
tion charges. For locality and
terms apply to R. B. M'KICKING,
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A large supply of Scotch and
American Golf Clubs just re-
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Boxing Gloves, Punching Bags,
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Municipal Notice

Monday will be the
last day but ONE for
payment of taxes to re-
ceive the abatement of
of one-sixth.

CHAS. KENT,
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PURE DRUGS
COMPETENT DISPENSERS.

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Corner of Yates
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HALL & CO.,
Dispensing Chemists

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DUFFERIN

Cigarettes

MANUFACTURED BY

B. Houde & Co., Quebec.

Are Better than the Best.

Wholesale at B.C. Jobbing Co., 31 Store Street, Victoria.

Other news from the front does not
enlighten the situation in Natal.
Occupation of Dundee.

Fragmentary details are arriving of
the occupation of Dundee by the Boers.
It is alleged that twenty men of the
town guard occupied an outpost a couple
of miles from town, when a Boer scout
dislodged them and the men fled to a
neighboring hill, where three hundred
Boers surrounded them and shot the
majority.

The Boers then entered Dundee, drag-
ged several civilians out of their houses
and pistolled them in the streets.

Kruger and Dum Dums.

As a pendant to the above comes a
story from Capetown to the effect that
several cases of dum-dum bullets were
found by the Boers at Dundee, which
the British abandoned in flight. Some
of the Boers wanted to use dum dums
in the next battle, but President Kruger
said "No, it must not be so. What-
ever the British are, we Boers are at
least human." The bullets were then
destroyed.

Fighting Near Mafeking.

Further details from Bulawayo, Rha-
desia, show that the armored trains
from there on October 17 sent towards
Mafeking under the command of Lieut.
Llewellyn, got within seven miles of
Lobatsi, when the British found the rail-
way badly damaged. Boers were visible
on a hill in the vicinity. Lobatsi had
been looted.

The train encountered Boers three
miles south of Crockville posts, and the
British opened fire with their Maxims
and drove them back to the hills, whence
they had advanced. Besides eight men
killed the Boers lost eleven horses.

Departure of Australian Contingent.

Dispatches from Sydney and Mel-
bourne record the departure of the Aus-
tralian contingent for war, amid scenes
of wildest enthusiasm.

A Dutch ambulance corps also started
from Amsterdam for Lorenzo Marquez.
Mr. F. Jessor Coope, of London, has
placed his steam yacht Sunrise at the
disposal of the government, and starts
for South Africa on Monday with sev-
eral women volunteer nurses and doc-
tors.

Armored Train in Action.

Capetown, Oct. 27.—A dispatch from
Bulawayo, Matabeleland, reports an en-
gagement on October 17th, when an
armored train was sent from Bulawayo
towards Mafeking, and encountered a
party of Boers. In the fighting which
ensued the Boers lost eight killed, but
there were no casualties among the
train's crew.

Colonel Schiel.

London, Oct. 28.—The Daily Telegraph
publishes the following from its special
correspondent:

"Capetown, Thursday evening.—I learn
on good authority that Colonel Schiel,
the German bandit who was wounded
and captured at Elandsburg, is the
same individual who acted as Cetewayo's
military advisor during the Zulu war in
1879, when he delivered bitter hatred
towards the British. Evidence of his
identification is complete.

"After the battle of Ulundi the British
government offered a thousand
guineas reward for the capture of Col.
Schiel, who has since been an officer in
the Transvaal state artillery. Schiel is
recovering from his wounds."

Removed Dissention.

London, Oct. 28.—According to a spe-
cial dispatch from Capetown, received
here today, rumors of dissention at
Riesfontein, the capital of the Orange
Free State, have reached Capetown. It
is said a movement is on foot to depose
President Steyn and install Mr. Erasmus
as president.

REVEALED PROMISED.

Berlin, Oct. 28.—A Constantinople tele-
gram, to the Taghribi states that the
son of Midhat Pasha, who since his
father's death has lived as a state
prisoner in a Dervish monastery at
Smyrna, escaped a short time ago.

It is reported that he went to England
where he succeeded in obtaining pos-
session of certain papers which his father
had deposited in a place of safety some
years ago. These are very important
documents and will throw a new light
on the disposition and death of Abdul
Aziz, the causes which led to the abroga-
tion of the Turkish constitution, and
the outbreak of the Russo-Turkish war.

BANDITS DISPERSED.

(Associated Press.)

Manila, Oct. 28.—Detachments of the
Sixth Infantry have recently been en-
gaged dispersing bands of bandits, who
have been operating in the Island of Ne-
gro. Captain Simons took the village
of Tullanes, near San Carlos, and Capt.
Evans defeated another band, killing
ten, wounding many and capturing 20.
There were no American losses.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

(Associated Press.)

Santos, Oct. 28.—Four additional cases
of bubonic plague and one death have
occurred here since October 26th.

French Cruisers May Sail for the Cape.
Paris, Oct. 28.—The Journal asserts
that five cruisers of the French squad-
ron, now at Piraeus, the port of Athens,
have been ordered to place themselves
in readiness to go to the Cape.

THE BOER PRISONERS.

Capetown, Oct. 27.—A dispatch from
Simonsburg says the prison ship Peace
is being fitted for the reception of
Boer prisoners, and the first-class
armored cruiser Power, is ordered to
leave Durban shortly, presumably to
convey the prisoners to Simonsburg.

Hughes Starts for South Africa.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Oct. 28.—Lieut.-Col. Sam
Hughes left this morning for the Trans-
vaal. Before starting he wrote a strong
letter to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, setting
forth many reasons why General Hutton
should be dismissed from office.

Ottawa, Oct. 28.—The Dominion gov-
ernment has placed \$1,000,000 insurance
on the Canadian continent with Stand-
ard Life Insurance Company, Edinburgh,
Scotland. The government pays the
premiums. This will give \$1,000 to re-
latives of men that die, no matter from
what cause. The insurance is for 12
months of the date of sailing, and can
be renewed. Sir Charles Tupper's ar-
rangement was an excellent insurance
and will only be paid to parties shot or
permanently disabled in the field.

TEMPORARY INSANITY.

Verdict of the Coroner's Jury in the
Lomas Suicide at Duncan.

(Special to the Times.)

Duncan, Oct. 27.—An inquest was
held here this evening by Coroner Nor-
cross into the circumstances surrounding
the death of WILLIAM HENRY LOMAS,
who shot himself in his office this morn-
ing.

Fred Lomas, son of the deceased, said
his father left home about 7 o'clock and
appeared at that time to be in the best
of spirits. He had been worried of late,
involving under the belief that Rev. Mr.
Tait, the Indian missionary, was trying
to have him removed from his position
as Indian agent. He was ill on Tues-
day, and Dr. Lucas examined him for
heart trouble. The doctor assured him
that his heart was all right. He com-
plained of paralytic pains and on Tues-
day night was unable to go home. He
left a note on the office table: "If any-
thing happens to me, call Dr. Lucas."
Deceased always had a revolver in his
possession.

Formal evidence was given confirming
the details already published in the
Times, and the jury returned a verdict
as follows: "We find that the deceased,
W. H. Lomas, shot himself while tem-
porarily insane, which was that was
brought on by worry and illness, and
we take this opportunity of expressing
our sincere and heartfelt sympathy with
the family of the deceased. W. H. Ek-
ington, foreman."

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC TALKS.

(Associated Press.)

Port Hope.—The collision on the Grand
Trunk, reported yesterday, was due to
the conductors of the west-bound train
mixing orders, through a change in the
running orders of the system.

Quebec.—Canadian Gledin was crash-
ed to death by an electric car this morn-
ing.

Toronto.—Lady Aberdeen was tendered
a farewell at the Normal school last
night under the auspices of the National
Council of Women.

Kingston, Que.—Sir Charles Tupper
spoke on current political topics here yester-
day.

Durham, Ont.—The South Grey Re-
form Association has passed a resolution
endorsing the Laurier and Ross govern-
ment.

Windsor.—John Welsh has been ap-
pointed for trial on a charge of man-
slaughter in connection with the death
of Mrs. Jane McDowell, who was found
dead on the roadside near Amherstburg
last Monday.

Toronto, Oct. 28.—Prof. Broderick, the
most prominent German musician in the
city, dropped dead from heart failure
last evening. He was resident of Tor-
onto for quarter of a century.

Kingston, Oct. 28.—Senator Sullivan
is seriously ill.

Montreal, Albert V. Roe, a Postal
Telegraph messenger, who left New
York on July 3rd and arrived in San
Francisco on October 3rd on a bicycle,
arrived here this morning.

We are Prompt, We are Careful and We are Always at Our Post.

Campbell's Prescription Store

CORNER OF FORT AND DOUGLAS STREETS
VICTORIA, B.C.

For Pure Drugs and Chemicals.

The War in the Transvaal

The Boer Forces are Near Ladysmith and Fighting is Imminent.

March of the British Soldiers From Dundee—Some Anxious Moments.

London, Oct. 28.—So far no further news has been received this morning from the seat of war. It is presumed in Natal that the Boers are reconstructing their plans and that the English are preparing to meet them. The Boers are at present in a position to occupy 38 hours in transmission to London, and therefore it is not impossible that something is happening there.

A dispatch from Ladysmith, dated Tuesday, is published in the Daily Telegraph, which says: "General Symonds ordered his column to march back to Ladysmith, and under instructions himself and all the wounded were placed in the hospital at Dundee. It is supposed that the Boers, puzzled by the retirement, imagined that a trick was being played, and therefore remained at Dundee watching their guns instead of pursuing the British."

Another telegram to the same paper, dated a day later, is as follows: "Our cavalry patrols have been fired upon this morning and chased by the enemy near the scene of the Beitfontein engagement. The Boers show signs of becoming aggressive. We learned first of the capture of the Hunsars in response to a military wire sent to Commandant-General Joubert."

Latest accounts of the first battle at Glencoe say the Boer army amounted to 7,000 men, and about noon another army almost as large, under Commandant-General Joubert, advanced within 6,000 yards of the Glencoe Camp and then retired. The Boer losses were very heavy, quite 300.

The City of Rome has been chartered by the government as a hospital ship, and has accepted the offer of the American women in England to equip the steamer Maine, which has been lent without charge to the British government by the Atlantic Transportation Company, as a hospital ship for use in South African waters.

Enough Work at Present.

Special dispatches assert that Colonel Baden-Powell, the British commander at Mafeking, is aware that Pretoria has given General Cronje orders to stay his hand as already there is quite enough to employ the Boers in Natal.

The Retreat From Glencoe and Dundee. Capetown, Oct. 26.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Particulars of the retreat from Glencoe and Dundee shows that the British force moved camp twice in order to get out of the range of the excellent Boer practice. Just as they had decided to evacuate the camp a shell killed two soldiers.

When Gen. Buller heard of the battle of Mafeking he sent a squad of Hunsars under Col. Knox and a battery of artillery to intercept the Boers at Biggarsberg. The artillery succeeded in shelling the Boers as they were retreating over the Umfolozi mountain, killing and wounding many, but the artillerymen were forced to retire by the ride fire of the enemy.

The Boers shelled the camp all day long on Sunday, and the British were kept busy skirmishing and removing their transport wagons out of range.

During the retreat there were many anxious moments. On Monday night the British marched through Van der Merwe's pass, six miles long, across to Biggarsberg. The troops got through the dangerous defile, which fifty men could have easily held, at three o'clock Tuesday morning.

Boer Forces Captured.

Telegrams dated Lorenzo Marques, October 23rd, have been received here, and in view of the fact that all the Pretoria news is now coming via Lorenzo Marques, the authorities are inclined to believe that they are copies of official bulletins from Pretoria.

The first evidently refers to the Glencoe battle, and says:

"General Erasmus, as expected, was compelled to retire, his men and horses being exhausted. General Erasmus appears to have been deceived into the wrong direction by the enemy, and the British succeeded in capturing the Utrecht and Verghof forces. The number of killed is unknown, but the burghers suffered heavily."

The second telegram bears evidence of a repetition of the same campaign by Commandant Trichardt. It says:

"The Emmelo burghers, in charge of the artillery, apparently fled from Dundee. They were reinforced by 60 Pretoria burghers and General Erasmus. The English opened fire, and De Jaager with a Krupp yielded. Our wounded were numerous, including Commandant G. Crober. We also lost 243 prisoners."

Miler's Warning.

Capetown, Oct. 27.—The governor of Cape Colony, Sir Alfred Milner, and W. P. Schreiner, the premier, have issued a proclamation declaring null and void the proclamation of the Orange Free State

asserting that a portion of Cape Colony is an Orange Free State territory. Sir Alfred Milner, the governor, has issued a proclamation of the colony of their duty and obligations to the Queen.

It is announced that Dr. Hoffman, a member of the Cape house of assembly, with a party of assistants, is going to the Transvaal to do ambulance work. It is suspected that he will give information to the enemy.

Spies Arrested.

Durban, Natal, Oct. 24.—(Delayed.)—Many spies have been arrested here, and some of them will be shot.

An interesting incident in connection with the Boer war is reported here. When the fire of the British guns became too hot, eight Boers ran out of cover and standing together, coolly opened fire at the Imperial Light Horse, with evident purpose of drawing the latter's fire while their comrades retired. Seven of the brave eight were killed.

The Relief of Mafeking.

Capetown, Oct. 27.—A Bulawayo, Rhodesia, telegram, dated Monday, says: "A Boer force, consisting of Chiefs Khama and Linchwe, who are loyal to Great Britain, Khama and Linchwe's country lies at the extreme northwest of the Transvaal and includes Bechuanaland. It seems a gross injustice for the Boers to provoke war among the natives."

"The probable explanation is that the Boer force intends to destroy the railway to Bulawayo, which runs through Khama's country, and thus prevent any attempt of Colonel Plimmer's Rhodesia force to go to the relief of Mafeking."

"Already there have been stories of a Rhodesian armed train engaging the Boers some distance north of Mafeking."

Rhodes at Kimberley.

Capetown, Oct. 27.—It is reported that Mr. Rhodes rode out of town and watched the fight between Col. Scott-Turner's force and the Boers. The townspeople, including the women, mounted trenches, watching eagerly for the return of the troops. Mr. Rhodes is cheerful and gives dinner parties daily, at which luxuries are abundant.

Rosbery on the War.

London, Oct. 27.—Speaking at a dinner to politicians on Wednesday, Lord Rosbery referred to the war and to the heavy loss of life, saying that they had to deplore the death of Gen. Symonds, and before they sheathed the sword there would be many such losses. In the meanwhile, he added, the country ought to present a united front to the enemy. In his opinion the Transvaal was not a very complicated question, but merely the effort of a community to "put back the clock."

Referring to Majuba Hill, Lord Rosbery said Mr. Gladstone's action was determined by the belief that the power of Great Britain was so great that she could not afford to do things other nations could not afford to do without risk. The Boers regarded Mr. Gladstone's magnanimity as proof of weakness upon which they could count.

Tonching upon the unfriendliness of the foreign press and foreign public opinion, Lord Rosbery said: "This is no little war. There are nations watching with eagerness every trip, every stumble, and much more, every catastrophe that may overtake your armies. War waged upon these conditions, therefore, is not a little war. I do not know why we should attract so much ill feeling. There is one simple test which will apply to the British Empire that will compare with other empires who will watch her with so much—won't say malevolence—but suspicion. We would be only too glad at the present moment to strike a bargain with the rest of the world that

"Better Be Wise Than Rich." Wise people are also rich when they know a perfect remedy for all annoying diseases of the blood, kidneys, liver and bowels. It is Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is perfect in its action. It so regulates the entire system as to bring vigorous health. It never disappoints.

Rheumatism—"Pains in my limbs finally settled in my back. I was obliged to stop work. My blood was poor and I did not have any appetite. I could not sleep nights. I tried Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills and these medicines made me a well man. Others of my family have had good results." G. R. Rares, South Waterville, N.S.

Stomach Trouble—"I was greatly troubled with my stomach, and even the sight of food made me sick. Was tired and languid when I commenced taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. Several bottles made me feel like myself again, and since then I have used the medicine every spring and feel it has been of great benefit to me and others in my family." JAMES MCKENZIE, 250 Gladstone Ave., Toronto, Ont.

Out of Borts—"Had no appetite, could not sleep, was out of sorts. Had trouble with my bowels, and my blood was poor. Sarsaparilla had good appetite, sleep soundly and enjoy better health." Mrs. MARGARET BIRD, 585 Bechuane Street, Peterboro, Ont.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver ill; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

every frontier should remain as now. Of what other empire can that be said? Yet we who are not trying to gain but to maintain an empire, we who in the best and highest sense are the most conservative force in the world, are the object of the unprovoked dislike of governments who I think are less concerned about ourselves.

In an impassioned oration, Lord Rosbery called upon the nation to maintain a united front, in which, after speaking of Great Britain as "this lonely island on these Northern seas, viewed with such jealousy, such hostility, such jarred ambition, by the great empires of the world who count their armies with countless millions," concluded amid stormy applause with Shakespeare's words: "Naught shall make us rue, if England to herself remain but true."

The Price of Rhodes's Head. The price Kruger has set upon Rhodes's head, dead or alive, is a farm of 300 acres, stocked with cattle and the necessary fixings. That is the news that comes to us from beleaguered Kimberley.

We were grouped around the commandant's headquarters, scanning the report for signs of the Boers, when away to the north we saw a solitary horseman coming over the hills. As he drew nearer we could see his horse was staggering along, while the man was leaning forward on the animal's neck, trying to hold on. Both seemed nearly dead from exhaustion.

The rider halted for a moment at the outpost, then came on to the town. In the main street he straightened up with an effort and rode direct to the commandant's office, saluted and handed a message to the colonel, then tumbled off his horse in a dead faint.

It was express rider from Kimberley. A daring ride.

He left there on Sunday, carrying the news that all was well in the beleaguered town. The Boers had closely surrounded the place. A call was made for a volunteer to go through the line. This man, an adventurous man who knew the country well, was chosen and provided with the best horse. He set out in the afternoon.

A mile from town Boer scouts gave chase. Mile after mile the rider dashed on, luckily escaping the many shots sent after him. He succeeded in dodging the forces heading him off and finally hid in the thick bush until night. After his pursuers had given up he started again across country, and at last reached a farm house, where he tried to secure a fresh horse, but the farmer, having heard that the dreaded General Cronje was about, feared to help the British.

The tired express rider then made for the farmhouse where his sweetheart lived. The place being brightly lighted, he left his horse in the bush, and crawling near, gave a signal. The girl heard it, came out and whispered that armed Boers were in the kitchen. She could give him only encouragement and warnings as to the whereabouts of the enemy.

He rode on southward. His horse fell on the rocks, and two fingers of his right hand were torn off. He managed to haulage his wounds, and urged the tired horse on, always in constant danger, avoiding the main roads and keeping under cover. In the morning he succeeded in getting a fresh horse from a farmer, and kept bravely on, until he reached Deauz, where he fell exhausted from loss of blood and fatigue.

The information the rider brought was that everybody in Kimberley was cheerful and confident. Rhodes moves about everywhere, says little, observes everything, dresses like a simple Afrikaner farmer, and as the rider said to me, "makes a good-looking Boer."

No dispatch rider has yet come through from Mafeking.

HEALTH REPORT.

City of Toronto Showing Marked Decrease in Deaths From Bright's Disease.

Not Only Bright's Disease but All Kidney Diseases Decreasing—Dodd's Kidney Pills the Cause of Decrease—P. Borland Cured.

Toronto, Oct. 27.—There has been a marked falling off in the number of deaths due to Bright's Disease in the city of Toronto of recent years. This decrease is ascribed solely to Dodd's Kidney Pills, the marvellous medicine which has performed many wonderful cures throughout the country.

Formerly, within recent years, Bright's Disease claimed a constant sacrifice of unfortunate victims, and wherever it struck, death was sure to follow. Now, Bright's Disease itself is comparatively unknown in this city. Dodd's Kidney Pills have come into universal household use and disorders in the kidneys are rectified early, so Bright's Disease is seldom allowed to develop.

Where Kidney Disease has been neglected, however, owing to ignorance, prejudice or carelessness, and Bright's Disease has ensued, Dodd's Kidney Pills are in the end called into requisition ninety-nine times out of a hundred. Doctors themselves prescribe Dodd's Kidney Pills in their own boxes or in bulk, so Bright's Disease with the aid of Dodd's Kidney Pills is held completely at bay in Toronto.

Mr. Fred Borland, 977 Markham street, writes: "I have been a sufferer from Bright's Disease and impure blood. I could not get anything to help me until I had taken two boxes of your Dodd's Kidney Pills. I am now cured of this disease which I am told has always been considered incurable. Publish this letter. It may help others."

The London Daily Mail's Berlin correspondent says: "All the arrangements have been completed for Emperor William's visit to the Queen. His Majesty will arrive in England November 30th, and remain at Windsor Castle five days, after which he will go to Sandringham for a two days' visit to the Prince of Wales."

The Bridge River Mines

How a Ten Stamp Quartz Mill Was Transported 80 Miles.

A Glowing Account of a Great Gold District—Historical Review.

Lillooet, Oct. 23.—Hitherto the correspondence from the Bridge River mining camp has been gleaned from miners and prospectors returning from the camp to Lillooet, but I am anxious now that the public should know that your correspondent for the last two months has been living in the Bridge River mining camp and can personally testify to the facts I am about to describe. I have no hesitation in asserting that on the south fork of Bridge River and on Cadwallader creek there is a section of country nine miles in extent containing in all about 40 miles of gold-bearing lodes—over discovered on the North American continent.

Placer mining has been conducted on Bridge River and Cadwallader creek, both by whites, Indians and Chinamen, since the year 1862, but no attention was paid to quartz until about some 12 years ago, when a prospector named Thieves group of mineral claims, situated on the south fork of Bridge River. Here nature had performed a task which would have cost a large sum of money to accomplish, as by landslide the whole of the face of the cliff has been exposed, disclosing a very large ledge of rich free milling quartz. No work was done on these claims for years, but in the year 1897 considerable work was done in driving tunnels, etc., and getting out ore. No mill has been erected on this particular group of claims, the owners thinking it a sheer impossibility ever to dream that a quartz mill could be delivered into such a difficult country, but now owing to the success of Mr. Robert Hamilton (of the firm of the William Hamilton Manufacturing Company, of Peterboro, Ont.) in placing a splendid ten-stamp mill on the Bender mine, some seven miles further up the creek, we hear that the intention of the present owners to shortly place a mill on their own property.

To understand this particular section of the country, the public must be informed that all the recent rich strikes have been discovered on the face of benches which extend all the way from the Forty Thieves to the Bender and Pioneer mineral claims, and the whole of the ledge has been entirely covered by a gigantic earth slide from the mountains that lie two miles back.

In the summer of 1897, Nat Coughlan and William Young, who were prospecting on these benches, discovered some rich quartz, showing free gold. After prospecting the range of mountains at the back, they each then discovered that the quartz never came from there, and they then determined to sink on one of the most likely spots on the benches and ascertain if the ledge from which the quartz had come did not exist under the accumulated debris of centuries.

They were entirely successful and located a ledge which they traced a considerable distance, and they recorded three claims, called the Lorne, Golden King and Marquis. This group is now known and famous as the Lorne group. On it they built an arrastra last year, which they have successfully run steadily since, by taking along this primitive method gold to the value of eight thousand dollars. It is the intention of the owners to have a quartz mill in operation here next spring.

In August of the same year Nat Coughlan and William Young located the Blackbird and Ida May mineral claims on the same bench, but some two miles from the Lorne. They sold the Ida May prospect the day it was struck for \$3,500. At the same time a prospector named Cargile located the Little Joe mineral claim, which with others is known to-day as the Bender Mines.

Messrs. Mackinnon, Robertson and Noel succeeded in getting an option on this property, but to make a success of the mine, it was necessary to have a stamp mill to work the ore. The mill on Cadwallader creek had, however, never entered into the imagination of anyone, the sheer impossibility of taking machinery into this wilderness precluding such an idea. However, as the holders of the option were satisfied that the mine was useless to them without a stamp mill they decided to consult Mr. Robert Hamilton, of Peterboro, a firm which have gained a reputation on this continent second to none in the manufacture of quartz mills and other mining machinery.

The result was that Mr. Robert Hamilton made a trip to Cadwallader creek, and although he found the difficulties were great, and notwithstanding the croakers here who prophesied disaster he still believed that if he could select a capable man to superintend the work of taking the machinery to the claim the difficulties need not be insurmountable. The question then in Mr. Hamilton's mind was to find the man. His selection fell on Mr. Arthur Noel, a man who knew the country well, who had large interests in it, and on whose indomitable energy and disregard of all obstacles he could implicitly rely.

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ported by water, by pack animals over of 64 miles; thence it had to be transported by pack animals, and finally up in pack animals again, and slights to its destination, a distance of 81 miles from Lillooet.

A small steamer on Santon lake conveyed the machinery to the Mission. Here it had to be landed and packed on the backs of horses for the conveyance to the top of Mission mountain, a height of 4,500 feet. On the summit it was transferred to sleds, which safely took it to the frozen river below. At Bridge River fresh sleds and toboggans had to be built, the old ones being worn out by the trip down the mountain, for the farther conveyance of the machinery on the ice to above the rapids. This part of the work and journey had to be accelerated as rapidly as possible, for at any moment the ice might break up. The journey up the rapids was safely accomplished, the whole of the machinery, 25 tons, being safely landed on the ice to above the rapids.

The ice was in a most dangerous condition and completely broke up the following day. It would take two weeks for the river to clear and the time was utilized in building bateaux. For a fortnight the men were kept busy in whipping the lumber necessary for the construction of the boats. Five boats were built, thirty feet in length and six feet in beam. By the time the boats were completed the river was open and the machinery was again started to its destination, 26 Indians being employed in handling the boats to Sucker creek, a distance of 40 miles. Each boat took 3,000 pounds, and four men to each boat, pulling. The trip took two days to Sucker creek and half a day to return, so the work continued until the whole of the machinery was safely landed at Sucker creek. Here, however, the hardest part of the journey had to be encountered. The snow had disappeared, and the only solution of the difficulty was to build go-devils or jumpers, on which to convey the machinery, the remaining ten miles, a steady climb of four thousand feet over the most miserable of trails. However, Mr. Noel sent a gang of men ahead to widen and build the trail all the way to the mines, the cost of this being paid by the contractors, our generous and beneficent government refusing to contribute one single cent.

All sorts of contrivances and dodges were resorted to in order to achieve success. In some cases five horses were to be found harnessed tandem fashion, dragging the load over bare ground in the most inaccessible places.

The machinery, however, was safely landed at the mill site, and such was the excellence of the system and care of Mr. Noel that not one piece was broken or missing. Every piece came to hand just as Mr. Robert Wood, the superintendent of construction, required it, and such was the celerity of the work of construction that six weeks after the machinery was on the ground the mill was completed and in running order.

The mill started crushing about the 15th day of August and has continued to run night and day ever since.

This, I believe, was the first experiment of the William Hamilton Company in building a sectional quartz mill, a mill especially made to meet the difficulties of transportation over a wild and impassable country, no single piece weighing over 700 pounds. The result has been an undoubted success and will give courage to other mine owners to open up and develop properties hitherto considered inaccessible to machinery. The mill on the Bender is without doubt a monument to the manufacturing skill of the William Hamilton Manufacturing Company, and to the energy and pluck of Mr. Robert Hamilton and Mr. Arthur Noel.

To contemplate this mill running night and day in the wild country it is situated, one would readily believe that the days of miracles were once again renewed on this earth.

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Men who are weak, nervous and debilitated from any cause will find it to their advantage to write to Mr. D. Graham, No. 437 1/2 Richmond St., London, E.C. Mr. Graham has nothing to sell, but has something to say which is worth knowing.

SHOT THEIR CHIEF.

Winnipeg, Oct. 27.—Two Indians accused of shooting their chief last winter at Cat Lake, about 350 miles northeast at Dinorwic, have been brought here. The story told by the two prisoners is essentially as follows:

The chief of the Cat Lake Indians, called Ah-wah-sa-keh-mi became a Wendigo, or insane, and ordered the prisoners to shoot him. A council of the prisoners was called and they discussed the matter for two days, when they arrived at the conclusion that the chief's orders would have to be obeyed. The Wendigo lay down in his wigwam and indicated with his hand where they were to shoot him. After he was dead, wood was heaped upon his body and the fire kept burning for two days, thereby, according to the belief of the Indians, thoroughly destroying the evil spirit of their chief. They will be tried here.

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AND IN THE MATTER OF THE OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATORS AOT.

Notice is hereby given that under an order granted by Mr. Justice Wilken, dated the 18th day of October, 1899, I, the undersigned, was appointed administrator of the estate of the above named deceased. Parties having claims against the said deceased are requested to send same to me on or before the 18th day of November, 1899, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to me, forthwith.

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STICK TO THE STATUTE.

The trial which was concluded yesterday in the city police court was at first instructive. It proved conclusively the weaknesses of the present system of dealing with the problems which Chatham street presents. Its details, as developed during the progress of the hearing, throw a very strong light upon police methods, and demonstrated how liable the numbers of the force are to abuse the powers with which they are invested by the police hitherto pursued for many years by the Board of Police Commissioners of this city.

It will be remembered that during the sittings of the board last year it transpired that the instructions of the police were to set the station forbidding the maintenance of bawdy houses in operation, only when the occupants were guilty of disorderly conduct. We took exception at that time to the board's action, and subsequent events, as revealed at the trial just concluded, have vindicated our contention. The relations which some of the witnesses state exist between several members of the police force and the domineering is the logical outcome of the policy of which we complain.

The law itself is clear. It provides, practically, for the prohibition of these houses. The commissioners qualify this by inserting a provision which makes the law operative only when the house is disorderly. In so doing they invest the police with discretionary powers which are decidedly dangerous, and which open the way for systematic blackmailing—a privilege of which a dishonest and unscrupulous officer will not be slow to avail himself.

By it the class referred to are delivered into the hands of the police officer. He may demand with impunity anything which his greed, cupidity, or lust may dictate. If the victim refuses to comply with his request, he will summon her, with the absolute assurance of a conviction. Knowing this, she prefers paying ten or twenty dollars to the officer to being dragged into court and molested to the extent of double that amount. The oath of the officer regarding the character of her house is believed. Her sworn testimony regarding the viciousness of the guardian (?) of the law is discredited, and she chooses the short, easy and simple way out of the difficulty.

Nor does this exhaust the resources of the prosecutor. A bribe, or fee, from one woman, accompanied by the expression of a hope that her rival will leave town is all that is required to set the trusty official sharply after her obnoxious neighbor. It then merely becomes a question of which of the two can bid the highest for the agis of the officer's patronage and power.

Working among an ignorant class, armed with a discretionary power bestowed by a misguided board, and fortified with the machinery of law, which by the stroke of a pen he may set in

operation, he becomes a terror instead of a protector to the community; and as much a participant in the vile gains of the class he dominates as the "Movers" whom he professes to despise.

Much of this tendency to corruption would be obliterated by a simple adherence to the line of action contemplated in the statute. It would rob the policeman on the Chatham street boat of many of the prerogatives which he now enjoys by virtue of the action of the Board of Police Commissioners, but it would relieve him of none of the powers with which he is lawfully invested.

"You can't expect all the cardinal virtues, one, for two bits a day," said the marauding Yankee in reply to a reprimand of General Sherman. Neither can the city expect any of exceptional propriety and principle for the small wage which the members of the police force now receive. The day may come when the city can afford to pay a salary to its wardens of law and order which will raise them above suspicion, and insure them absolutely honest and fearless in discharging their duties. But while wages remain low, and human nature frail, the Police Commissioners will do much to remove a reproach to the body which they control, by taking every possible precaution to prevent the spread of corruption in their ranks.

RIP VAN WINKLE'S RETURN.

One of the first things that Mr. J. H. Turner did, on setting foot in Canada after months of absence in England, was to express his views on British Columbia politics to a newspaper reporter.

Mr. Turner, apparently, grows garrulous as he grows older. He seems also to forget that while Mr. Turner may be alive Turnerism is dead forever and forever. If he could only appreciate that fact, it would mean many a blunder free him and foolish subject. Mr. Turner told the newspaper man that the credit of British Columbia has been impaired in London because the Legislature, of which he was at the time a member—an assenting member, too we believe—had passed the eight-hour law "which is considered as impeding certain securities."

What a pity it is that Mr. Turner cannot restrain his penchant for talking nonsense, and that, too, at the most inopportune times. The eight-hour law was supported by every member of the party led by Mr. Turner; it has since had the sanction of the Conservative convention, and it has the editorial approval of the Colonist, the most faithful of all the organs of the Turner party. Mr. Turner, like Rip Van Winkle, will not be known by the politicians when he returns to his home again, nor will he know anything of the politics of the province; his recollections will all be of a year or two ago. Marvellous changes have taken place since the days of Mr. Turner's premiership, and more marvellous changes still will take place before his party friends can hope to return to power again.

BRITISH COLUMBIA FIR.

Some interesting tests of new and old Douglas fir beams, taken from trees grown in different portions of the province, have been made under the direction of Professor Bayley in the testing laboratory of McGill University, Montreal, to determine strength. The results were remarkable, and go to prove the popular statement often heard, that this wood is amongst the strongest that grows, and in toughness of fibre surpassed by none.

Twenty-five beams were chosen, some of them newly cut and specially selected, others newly cut but not specially selected, and others old beams that had been in use some of them in place for years. The test consisted of placing loads upon the beams till they broke under the strain, and the enormous pressure brought to bear upon some of those beams before they failed is really astonishing.

The first beam tested stood a weight of 35,000 lbs. before breaking, the beam bearing apart on the tension face. Another bore the pressure of 51,000 lbs. before it failed at the support by the tearing apart of the fibres; but these are thrown into the shade by the tremendous resistance of a cross-grained beam, full of knots, which took 69,400 lbs. dead weight to crush it by the tearing apart of the fibres in the tension face. Still another stood 79,540 lbs. before yielding. Others stood tests varying from twelve thousand up to the figure already mentioned. All these were new beams.

In the tests of the old beams the result was even more astonishing, one of those breaking the record before it broke itself. Four old stringers were taken from trestles. One had been in position for nine years in a dry country with very little rain fall, and subject to a hot sun in summer, yet it bore the enormous weight of 55,400 lbs. before failing by longitudinal shear. Contrast it with this tough old stick was another taken from a trestle near Port Moody, which had been in position for six and a half years, in a place that has the heaviest rainfall in this province. This beam failed at 47,500 lbs. by the tearing apart of the tension face fibres, followed by longitudinal shear.

But here comes the test that proves British Columbia Douglas fir to be one of the most remarkable arborescent products in the world, and well-illustrates its value in commerce. This beam was cut from a log grown on a bench near Spuzzum, about 500 feet above sea level, and had been in position seven years in a district with a climate similar to that

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or Nova Scotia. It contained several knots and season cracks. At 41,000 lbs. material at one end of the beam was crushed in. The knots, perfectly decayed, were sawn off and the load was then increased to 50,000 lbs., when the beam failed by longitudinal shear.

It would be very interesting to have the results of similar tests with other woods to compare with those just mentioned, but we think the foregoing are sufficient to prove that British Columbia fir is altogether an extraordinary wood, of high commercial value. It therefore behoves this province to take the greatest care of those magnificent forests, and do all in its power to prevent the destruction of those timber reserves by fire or any other means except the legitimate uses of trade and commerce.

We are indebted for the foregoing facts and figures to an excellent article in the special October number of the Canadian Lumberman.

WHAT OUGHT TO BE DONE.

The chief of police ought to have sufficient local knowledge to conduct an ordinary prosecution; every applicant for admission to the force ought to be compelled to pass a written and oral examination on subjects of general education, and also upon subjects more particularly concerning the profession of police constable; every candidate ought to be a man of unblemished character, and be expected to furnish satisfactory references; every candidate ought to pass a searching physical examination to prove that he is not only perfectly sound, in wind and limb, but that he has also something more than a rudimentary knowledge of how to apply his strength; at least two mounted patrolmen ought to be attached to the force for duty in the suburbs, especially for night service, and be properly armed; physical training should be insisted upon as a part of the daily routine of the whole force, as much as it is insisted upon as a part of the daily duty of regular soldiers; and this should be done under the direction of a properly qualified instructor; some attempt ought to be made to introduce the patrol-box system here, whereby distant portions of the city can be placed in instant communication with headquarters, and the night patrols report themselves at regular intervals on their rounds; much more strict attention ought to be paid to the duty of accepting foot passengers, or at least noting them, after certain hours of the night; neglect of duty on the part of members of the force should be promptly enquired into and firmly dealt with by the commissioners; absolute freedom to lodge complaints with the commissioners ought to be accorded every member of the force; the meetings of the Board of Police Commissioners ought to be regularly reported in the public press, except, of course, such business as, for obvious reasons, it is not in the interest of the public to publish.

We might go on at considerably greater length enumerating details which would make for a properly conducted police force, but the foregoing are, perhaps, the salient points of reform required.

Canada has an important lesson to learn from the Austrian lumbermen. They utilize every scrap of their lumber, and so effect a saving that has an important bearing on the annual balance sheet. A prominent English timber merchant now visiting in Canada has been advising our mill men to look a little more closely to the so-called waste products, to see if they are not making a serious and very expensive mistake in so classing what in Austria is a substantial source of income. This gentleman says Canada can secure a larger share of the wood trade of Great Britain and hold it if her manufacturers follow their contracts to the letter, something greatly prized by importers.

Colonel Sam Hughes is going anyhow, and his determination to do so opens up a nice question of military etiquette. What standing will he have when he reaches the Cape? Will he be recognized as a combatant, and be permitted to fall into the fighting line? One thing can be safely said about Sam—he is a fighter, and if they only give him half a show down there he will put up as game a battle as any man in the whole shooting match. Hughes is a scrapper from "way back," that, even his few enemies, will allow without discount.

Canadian soldiers are fighting the Empire's battles in other parts of Africa besides the Transvaal. In the West African jungles several Canadian officers are doing great work in holding down John Bull's interests against the foreigners. It is interesting to learn that Major Girouard has as his staff officer Captain H. G. Joly de Lotbiniere, R.E., son of Sir Henry Joly.

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Vancouver City is doing and getting some fine advertising in London at present. This is legitimate business, and worthy of close emulation.

PORT ANGELES FERRY SCHEME.
To the Editor: A letter written by some person signing himself "Ratepayer" appeared in the Colonist of to-day. This letter is supposed to deal with the above matter, but is confined to abuse and unfounded insinuations against myself, who am not the subject under discussion. It is not my intention, therefore, to answer it, further than to say that in case this individual does write anything in future calling for a reply, he cannot expect to get one from me at least, unless he expresses some of the manliness he talks so much about, and writes above his own name.

W. H. LANGLEY.
Victoria, Oct. 28th, 1899.

TO BISHOP CRIDGE, DR. CAMPBELL, BISHOP PERLIN, REVD. J. C. SPEER AND ROBERT HUGHES:

Right Reverend Fathers:—I am proud of you; your country is proud of you; you have by prayer, precept, exhortation and contribution sanctified the holy war now being waged in South Africa. The city is ringing with the inspiration. You have given to the noble cause of humanity and righteousness. The brave boys who have left us to kill, mutilate and butcher the Boers, have the support of your august approval. You have invoked the Divine blessing upon their humane mission. The Prince of Peace has been important to grant success to the sanguinary contest. The Holy Scriptures have given authority to their noble undertaking. Hurray! We are all proud of you.

The Boers have no rights at all. Their wives and children are common people. The God of the Anglo-Saxon is not the God of the Boer. The British people have a Divine mission to conquer and subdue the earth. If human victims are needed upon the Imperial altar, South Africa will furnish them. The argument of the Maxim gun is the argument afforded by Divine authority, human reason, and advanced civilization, and you have nobly furnished that argument. I am proud of you.

"Thou shalt not kill" is a precept out of date. The Galilean peasant who said "Put up thy sword in thy sheath" has no authority now-a-days. "Killing is no murder" when done on a large scale. The murders of Mrs. Blings and Mike Powers are shocking criminals, but the clever marksmen of the Transvaal shall be hailed as the deliverer and saviour of his race.

The sanctity of your cloth has given courage and conviction to many a one who doubted the justice and mercy of a war of extermination. Oh! how I am proud of you.

General Sir Wm. Symonds dies. A nation mourns. Angels weep. Over five hundred burghers killed at Mafeking. Praise the Lord. All heaven rejoices. The higher characteristics of our race are evoked by the outbreak of a national thanksgiving. I have no doubt your morning and evening orisons were saddened by the one incident and exultant over the other. War is holy, if waged by the British people. The Jehovah you serve and honor is glorified when the strong crushes the weak, and the latest productions of science and mechanical skill are used to wipe out the Boers.

The whole city is proud of you. I am specially pleased that this war has given such a glorious opportunity for the exhibition of Christian unity. Mostly, you quarrel over petty matters. Questions of precedence arouse in you a pugilistic spirit. Is the rumor correct that the right of blessing the Victoria contingent was made the occasion of rivalry? I hope so, for it was a wonderful occasion, and the glory of it was one worth striving for. I rejoice that the gracious occasion was made the means of a ministerial unanimity. Episcopalian, Presbyterian and Methodist unite in exhorting the war spirit, in reading the war fever. Like slavery in the South, war has its ablest advocates in the occupants of the pulpit. The pious advocates of peace, arbitration and mercy are out-cleaved by gentlemen of the cloth who have the "Iterum et verbatim" of the Sermon of the Mount at their tongues. I am very, very proud of you.

One thing about you I honestly regret. You have in this failed in your duty. You should have accompanied the patriots to Vancouver. You should have headed the procession that marched through the streets, preceded only by the delightful object-lesson of a bloody Boer's head. I have admired the exquisite—not execrable

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.

See the baby's face in the picture.

WANTED.

WANTED—A woman to do plain cooking and housework; wages \$20 per month. Address A. F. Times Office.

WANTED—Housekeeper and waitresses at Hotel Dawson.

WANTED—Waitress, Hotel Victoria.

WANTED—A nice, neat, male, also tailors. Apply Wm. Stewart, 41 Fort Street.

WANTED—A lot of old gold and silver at 43 Johnson Street.

HIGHEST CASH PRICE paid for all kinds of old gold and silver at 43 Johnson St.

WANTED—Farmers' sons and other industrious persons of fair education to whom \$200 a month would be an inducement. I could also suggest a few ladies at their own homes. T. H. Linwood, Toronto, Ont.

WANTED—Old copper, brass, zinc, lead, tin, iron, etc., for sale. Apply Victoria Junk Agency, 30 More Street, W. A. Aronson, Agent.

WANTED—A good, reliable, safe, prompt, reliable, salary and commission. Address Medical Agency of Paris, Tower House, Main Street, Seattle.

FOR SALE.

TO MARRIED LADIES—"Burnett," the latest French Discovery. Send self-addressed envelope with stamp enclosed to Medical Agency of Paris, Tower House, Main Street, Seattle.

FOR SALE—Cheap for cash, 100 acres of land one mile from Shawigan Station, with good barn and on buildings and number of bearing fruit trees. Apply to G. W. McKinn, Shawigan Lake, B. & N. Railway.

TO LET.

THE LARGE STORE at 804 Douglas Street, opposite the Old Fellows Hall, will be for rent from Jan. 1st, 1900. Apply Lange Block, upstairs.

TO LET—Suite of furnished rooms at 120 Vancouver Street.

WELL FURNISHED ROOMS, single or en suite; modern conveniences; good dining room. Sample rooms for commercial use. M. Wall, The Vernon, 60 Douglas Street.

TO RENT—Office in the Times building, ground floor. Apply at Times Office.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE DANCE SEASON is now open, and those who would like to learn how to dance will learn by taking lessons from Miss Telford. Class night tonight, Friday, and every Monday night. Algaar hall, Broad and Pandora streets.

REWARD.

\$25 REWARD—I will pay \$25 to any person who will give information that will lead to the conviction of the party who stole shrubbery (box) from my premises, No. 6 Simcoe street, during night time of the 8th or 9th inst. W. Templeman.

COAL AND WOOD.

LUMP COAL, NUT COAL, SACK COAL, SLACK COAL. Telephone 634. Mann, Holland & Co., Troncoe and Broad Street.

MISCELLANEOUS.

UNION BREWERY, 150 Government Street; cellar entrance, rear of Hotel Victoria.

GET YOUR AMMUNITION at John Ramsay & Co.'s, 115 Government Street. Largest stock in the Province.

A. & W. WILSON, Plumbers and Gas Fitters, Bell Hangers and Tinsmiths; Dealers in the best descriptions of Heating and Cooking Stoves, Ranges, etc.; ship-ping supplied at lowest rates. Broad Street, Victoria, B.C. Telephone call 126.

SCAVENGERS.

JULIUS WEST, General Scavenger, successor to John Dougherty—Yards and cess-pools cleaned; contracts made for removing earth, etc. All orders left with James Fell & Co., Fort Street, Victoria. John Cochrane, corner Yates and Douglas Streets, will be promptly attended to. Residence, 50 Vancouver Street. Telephone 136.

VETERINARY.

R. F. TOLMIE, Veterinary Surgeon—Office at Bray's livery, 100 Johnson Street. Telephone 182; residence telephone 417.

SOCIETIES.

VICTORIA COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 1, meets first Thursday in every month at Masonic Temple, Douglas Street, at 7:30 p.m. B. R. ODDY, Secretary.

Revere House
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Well furnished rooms to rent, single or en suite, with or without board. Modern conveniences. First-class dining room. Home comforts. Rates reasonable.

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Best Lump and Sack Coal, \$5.50 per ton
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OFFICES:
42 Yates Street—Telephone No. 404.
Spratt's Wharf—Telephone No. 144.

PROMPT DELIVERY.
Savoy Theatre
WEEK OF OCTOBER 16.

ENGAGEMENT EXTRAORDINARY
—OF—
The Savoy Burlesquers
Headed by
JOSEPHINE STRONG,
The Marvellous Soprano.

For Chronic Coughs and Pulmonary Affections, the only PERFECT EMULSION OF PURE FISH LIVER OIL WITH HYPOPHOSPHITES. This preparation contains fully 50 per cent. of Cod Liver Oil, and is much stronger than most of the Emulsions sold. The taste of the oil is so disguised that it can be taken as a cough mixture. 50c. per bottle. U. H. BROWN, Chemist, 100 Government street, near Yates street.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Oct. 28—5 a.m.—The pressure has given way along the Pacific Coast and a cold front has moved in. The rain area is still confined to this island and the lower Mainland, while elsewhere the weather has been mostly clear. If the cold front continues, there is a probability of a return to another interval of fair weather.

Chicago—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, 50; minimum, 49; wind, 5 miles N.; rain, .55; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, 1.32; weather, cloudy, fog.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 48; minimum, 45; wind, 12 miles E.; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.86; temperature, 24; minimum, 20; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Nash, Wash.—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, 10 miles E.; rain, .72; weather, cloudy.

Portland, Oregon—Barometer, 29.94; temperature, 44; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles N.W.; weather, cloudy, foggy.

Sacramento—Barometer, 29.91; temperature, 48; minimum, 45; wind, calm; weather, clear, fog.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, 58; minimum, 56; wind, 3 miles W.; weather, fair.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Sunday.

Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh winds, chiefly from north and east, showery today, probably clearing to-morrow.

Lower Mainland—Moderate easterly winds, showery at first, followed probably by partly cloudy weather.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Victoria Cafe, 51 Fort street.

—Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Extracts.

—GLASGOW BEEF HAM at Jameson's, 33 Fort street.

—Holly Club—Next social dance Monday, Oct. 30th, Harmony Hall.

—Hotel Wilkies, Cadboro Bay road, has been reopened by Geo. Prescott.

Superstitions hair and all facial blemishes removed by Electrolysis. Electric Parlors, 114 Yates street.

—The board of police commissioners is meeting this afternoon at the city hall, the session commencing at 3 o'clock.

—Don't forget the Sons and Daughters of St. George's masquerade ball November 25th. Prizes. Look out for the cake walk.

—The most persistent advertisers, the world over, are those who believe in their goods. That is why you hear so much of "HONDI" Ceylon Tea. It is all that is claimed for it.

—At the residence of the officiating minister, the Rev. D. MacRae, yesterday morning, Mr. John S. Muir, of Sooke, was united in marriage to Miss Eliza Isabella Throp, of the same place.

—All Humphrey will move at the meeting of the City Council on Monday night, for leave to introduce a by-law to amend the Police Magistrate's and Legal Advisers' By-law Amendment By-law 1898.

—We are showing all the latest styles and shapes in American Suits and Walking Hats. The Sterling, 83 Yates street.

—An examination will be held in this city in January next in connection with the Victoria College of Music, London, England. Those wishing to enter must send in their names as soon as possible to the local representative, Mr. A. Longfield, P.O.M., 106 Pender street, west, who will furnish all particulars of the work the candidates are required to do.

—A pretty wedding took place last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Colar Hill road, when Miss Alice Schell was united in marriage to Mr. Campbell, Rev. Mr. Hastings officiated. The bride received many handsome and useful presents. The happy couple left for the Mainland, where they will make their home.

—The annual Charity Ball will take place on Thursday, November 10, in Assembly Hall, Fort street. The Women's Auxiliary have enlisted the services of some of the directors of the hospital and the energetic committee will spare no effort to make the affair a huge success. The hall will be decorated as never before and all the details of music, floor, refreshments and programme will be of the best. Tickets for lady and gentleman are to be sold at \$5 each, and holders may obtain extra tickets, each admitting one lady, for \$1 each.

—The Fifth Regiment band and orchestra have been strengthened of late by the addition of Messrs. Driscoll and Arnold; also by the return of Mr. Muriel and Mr. Culver from Seattle and Vancouver respectively. The two latter have been previously members of the band, but have been out of town all summer. The present strength of the band is 22 and the band is better today than it ever was. Bandmaster Finn is expecting two more men before the end of the present month, which will bring the band up to 24 bandmen, its authorized strength. The first promenade concert of the season this evening should attract a large attendance.

—Victoria Cafe, 51 Fort street.

—French lessons by Prof. A. Dumas, B. A., Paris University, 30 Douglas street.

—Have you seen the \$1 per dozen Printed Cups and Saucers at R. A. Brown & Co's, 80 Douglas street?

—The Old Blue Willow Crochery and other fine pastimes just opened and for sale cheap at R. A. Brown & Co's, 80 Douglas street.

—Latest betting on Jeffries-Sharkey contest at Savoy Theatre.

—The Garrick's Head saloon will be taken charge of next week by Mr. Harry E. Morton, whose bid has been accepted by the administrator of the estate.

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MINES IN BOUNDARY.

A Roadside Mining Man Speaks of the New Camp.

Mr. Smith Curtis, of Rossland, B.C., was seen by a Times man at the Drifted this morning. Mr. Curtis is engaged in mining operations, particularly in the Boundary and Similkameen districts. He says: "The results obtained in Rossland in the larger properties are very satisfactory; the ore output and the number of men employed are constantly growing."

"Building has been very active and rents give returns of about 25 per cent. on capital invested—a sure sign of growth and prosperity. The advent of the railway into the Boundary country, the line being now complete as far as Greenwood, has created a veritable boom."

"The Grand Forks and Greenwood are growing into large towns. Phoenix, near Old Ironsides, Knob Hill, Brooklyn and other places, are also becoming quite a town. A new centre is growing up at the Summit, lying between the B. C. and the Oro Denoro mines. The railway spur line from Elliott, running to connect with the mines at Summit, Phoenix and the Wind upper and Golden Crown properties in Wellington camp, has opened up very rich showings on many properties."

"Undoubtedly the biggest showing made by the railway was on the Oro Denoro, owned by the King Mining Company, of which I am a director. Good ore was shown in three places, and between two of these prospecting has shown the ore extends for a width of 300 feet, a good deal of it being shelling ore with values from \$20 to \$45, largely copper, but carrying from \$5 to \$12 in gold and silver. The balance of the ore will pay when concentrated. Mr. Newcomb, a thorough mining engineer and successful mine manager, takes charge of the mine next week, and regular shipments will be made when the spur line is ready to carry ore. The shares are being eagerly bought up by Rossland parties, and there is a steady advance in the price."

"Recently I have become associated with 'Volcanic' Brown, of Grand Forks, B.C., in forming the Sunset Copper Co., which has acquired the Sunset mine on Copper mountain in the Similkameen district, 12 miles from Princeton, and I am now on my way there. This property has the reputation of having the largest surface showing of any prospect in the province. Twenty acres are heavily mineralized, the chief values being in copper with some gold and silver. The values increase from 2 per cent. to 3 per cent. copper on the surface to 11 per cent. to 15 per cent. at 50 feet depth. The company has just started development work and is installing a steam plant."

Speaking of matters political Mr. Curtis says: "The feeling is strong with both Liberals and Conservatives through the two Kootenays and Boundary that the next provincial elections should be run on party lines. Personally I have no use for hybrid cabinets held together by no stronger bond than portfolio love, their members always plotting and ready to knife each other. Our constitution is based upon party government, and despite its defects is the best yet devised by man; but to bear its fruit there must be the corrective hand of public opinion and the spirit of compromise of the well-know party at the back of the government and of the opposition."

"I do not believe because many Liberals think the government at Ottawa has been partially explored by the discoverers, but the confines of which have not been fully determined, has been found near Millstream. There is a lake within it of much greater extent than that on Mount Skit, which has already been described in the Times. To-morrow a group of young men, whose curiosity has been fired by the news of the finds, intend to dare the perils of the mysterious cavern in the interests of science. The collapsible boat, which is carried so much labor on the mountains, was taken up on a similar expedition two weeks ago, will, it is understood, be left at home."

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